

VON MENDE

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1. In addition to the information on von MENDE in your MEMA-877, our files also disclose that in 1945 von MENDE was being considered for an SI operation in Germany. Unfortunately, the files on this case have been returned to Washington, but if you desire, we will request that Washington forward the files or summarize the information therein.

2. Our files also contain a memorandum, dated 11 February 1946, in which a source in Switzerland reported that von MENDE, working for the Americans in Munich, was using the name Georges MESTREVELLI. This was also the name he used when picked up for interrogation in July 1945. Picked up with von MENDE were three Georgians, Dr. Givi GABLIANI, Alexandre ZOMAJA, and Michael ALCHIBAJA. The latter later reported that von MENDE attempted to recruit him for the BIS.

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